REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Date of entry in Register:	05 October 1999		
Name of applicant/court:	The District Court at Wellington		
Applicant to the Labelling Body:	Not Applicable		
Title of Publication:	12yr2cks.gif		
Other Known Titles:	Not Stated		
Director:	Not Applicable		
Producer:	Not Applicable		
Publisher:	Not Applicable		
Author:	Not Applicable		
Format:	Computer Image File		
Country of Origin:	Not Applicable		
Language:	Not Applicable		
Components of film originally examples	mined: Not Applicable.		
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Feature:	Running time:		
Trailers:	Running time:		
	Total Running time:		
Excision/Alteration: Not	Applicable.		
Reason(s) for Excision:			
Not Applicable.			

Direction to issue a label has been given on:	Not Applicat	ole.	
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Not Applicable.			
Descriptive Note:			
Not Applicable.			
Display Conditions:			
Objectionable.			
Classification Decision:			

SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR DECISION:

The computer image file entitled *12yr2cks.gif* is classified as: Objectionable.

This classification is because the publication promotes and supports the exploitation of children for sexual purposes.

The publication is a computer image file containing a colour photograph. It depicts a girl masturbating the erect penises of two men, who stand one on either side of her. The girl is depicted from the waist up. She is naked apart from a scarf, which is wrapped around her neck. She is probably aged between ten and twelve. The men are visible only as penises, upper legs and torsos. However, they both appear to be older teenagers or adults. A caption reading "12 Year Old Underground" appears in the bottom left of the image.

The sexually explicit nature of the image indicates its purpose is to titillate the viewer. The publication promotes and supports the sexual exploitation of children as it advances the notion that children are suitable as partners for adults in sexual activity.

This publication is deemed objectionable under s3(2) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 (FVPC Act). Section 3(2) is a deeming provision that is inconsistent with and overrides the right to freedom of expression set out in s14 of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990.

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